

Safety Topic of the Month

RI-314: Protective Clothing and Safety Equipment - Update



Richmond Refinery

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- Laundering Flame Retardant Clothing
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Purpose of RI-314



- Describes the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and clothing that must be worn or used during work where employees may be exposed to recognized physical hazards to the eye, face, head, body, hand, or foot.



Recent Change to RI-314



- Clarification on the locations where Flame Retardant Clothing (FRC) must be worn.
 - FRC is required for all work near or within process unit boundaries.
- If you are unsure if FRC is required in an area, please contact the area Field Safety Representative.

Laundrying & Maintenance of Flame Retardant Clothing



- Place soiled FR clothing in designated bins located throughout the refinery. The Uniform Service will launder the FR clothing and return it to your assigned work location.

Note: If FR clothing is extremely contaminated with a known chemical, place the clothing into a plastic bag and contact CTR at 2-4368 for pickup. Inform the CTR what the contaminant is.

- Unlaundered contaminated FR clothing shall not be worn home.
 - Garments contaminated by hazardous materials can contaminate home laundering facilities.
 - If not laundered by the appropriate method, there is a risk the FR material will be compromised due to non-FR material combining with the FR fabric.
- In order to perform its protective function, it must be maintained properly. Rips, tears, bad zippers, bad buttons, etc. are normal consequences of use and they should be repaired as soon as possible. If any of these occur, place the Laundry tags (available at the laundry drop off bins) onto the clothing and place inside the laundry bin. If no tags are available at the bin, contact 2-4368.



QUESTIONS?

If you have questions about RI-314, please
contact a member of the Safety group.